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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**
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Attorney Docket No.	040069	Total Pages	
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Morihiro OKAMOTO			
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS FOR:
**INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, ITS
METHOD, ITS PROGRAM, RECORDING MEDIUM
STORING THE PROGRAM, AND PLAYER**

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- a. [] Newly executed (original)
- b. [] Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed).

i. [] **Deletion of Inventor(s)**

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application,
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. [] Incorporation by reference (useable if box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. [] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. [] Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. [] Computer Readable Copy
- b. [] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. [] Statement Verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. [] Assignment to **PIONEER CORPORATION, Tokyo, Japan.**
Please publish the assignee data with the application.

9. [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) [] Power of Attorney

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10. [] English translation Document (if applicable)
11. [XX] Information Disclosure Statement [1] Copy of IDS Citation w/PTO-1449 and 1 reference
12. [] Preliminary Amendment
13. [XX] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
14. [] Small Entity Status is claimed.
15. [XX] Claim for Convention Priority [1] Certified copy of Priority Document is enclosed
 a. Priority of Japanese application no. 2003-046306 filed on February 24, 2003 is claimed under 35 USC 119.
16. [] Other _____
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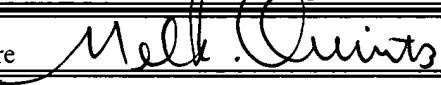
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